

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT

FY 2023-2024 BUDGET WORKSHOP

MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023 6:00 PM

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The Special Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Middletown was held on Monday, April 11, 2023, beginning at 6:00 PM. This was a hybrid meeting, participants in-person in the Council Chamber and remotely, via WebEx. The meeting was also livestreamed on local public access cable television, on the City website, and on the City Facebook page. This meeting is the first of three (3) scheduled budget workshops for the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget.

Present:

Councilwoman Jeanette White Blackwell
Councilwoman Meghan Carta
Councilman Grady Faulkner, Jr.
Councilman Darnell Ford
Councilman Anthony Gennaro, Sr.
Councilman Vincent Loffredo

Councilman Anthony Mangiafico
Councilman Michael A. Marino
Councilman Edward McKeon
Councilman Eugene Nocera
Councilman Philip Pessina
Councilman Vincent Loffredo

Councilwoman Linda Salafia

Also Present: Linda SK Reed, Clerk of the Common Council

Office Kurt Scrivo, Middletown Police - Sergeant-at-Arms

Hon. Benjamin D. Florsheim, Mayor Keisha Michael, Arts & Culture Coordinator Carl Erlacher, CPA, Finance Director

Justin Carbonella, Youth Services Coordinator

Damon Braasch, Assessor John Woron, Fire Chief

Robert Kronenberger, Emergency Management Director Wayne Bartolotta, Central Communications Director

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor, Councilman Vincent Loffredo is serving as Chair for this budget workshop. He calls the workshop to order at 6:00 PM. The Councilmembers join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chair begins the budget workshop presentations inviting spokespersons to the podium for each of the following items.

1. Mayor

The proposed Budget for FY 2023-2024 was introduced and presented by Mayor Benjamin Florsheim, including details for the Mayor's office. Councilmembers asked questions as needed.

2. Arts & Culture

Arts & Culture Coordinator Keisha Michael presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

3. Town Clerk

Finance Director Carl Erlacher, CPA presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

4. Treasurer

Finance Director Carl Erlacher, CPA presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

4. Finance Department

Finance Director Carl Erlacher, CPA, presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

5. Tax Collector

Finance Director Carl Erlacher, CPA presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

6. Youth Services

Youth Services Coordinator Justin Carbonella presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

7. Fire Department

Fire Chief John Woron presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

8. Emergency Management

Emergency Management Director Robert Kronenberger presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed

9. Central Communications

Central Communications Director Wayne Bartolotta presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further discussion on the budget, the Chair closed the workshop at 9:01 PM.

ATTEST: LINDA S.K. REED, COMMON COUNCIL CLERK

K: review/ minutes/ 2023 April 10 -- Budget Workshop #1 - 10 April 2023